IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Examiner: H. Lilling TAKASHI KENMOKU ET AL. Group Art Unit: 1651 Application No.: 10/531,689 Confirmation No. 1818 International Appln No. PCT/JP03/13531 Filed: October 23, 2003 For: NOVEL POLYHYDROXY ALKANOATE COPOLYMER INCLUDING) WITHIN ITS MOLECULE UNIT HAVING VINYL GROUP OR CARBOXYL GROUP IN SIDE CHAIN, AND PRODUCING METHOD THEREFOR December 20, 2007

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

Sir:

A. Introduction

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2007, in the above-identified application. Please consider the following remarks.